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PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES FOR EUROPE.

Steamers.	Tons.	H.P.	Captain.	For dar.
P. MALTA	5,000	800	W. Hall	10th Jan. 1890
O. ARABIA	3,876	500	H. T. Weighell	17th "
P. ARCADIA	4,300	800	E. J. Aldridge	24th "
O. CHINDWARA	3,541	500	G. W. F. Elphinstone	31st "
P. CATALONIA	5,000	1,000	R. Stewart	7th Feb.
O. ARABIA	3,876	500	H. T. Weighell	14th "
P. PERSIA	4,343	800	J. D. Parkes	21st "
O. CHINDWARA	3,285	550	G. W. F. Brownell	28th "
P. PERSIA	4,343	800	W. J. Webber	7th Mar.
O. ARABIA	3,876	500	T. Weighell	14th "
P. ARCADIA	4,300	800	W. D. Worcester	21st "
O. CHINDWARA	3,541	500	W. F. Brownell	28th "
P. MALTA	5,000	1,000	C. Fraser	4th Apr

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To conclude with
THE AWKWARD SQUAD
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GOING TO FIGHT THE CHINS.
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Will play Mendelssohn's Finale from Concerto in G. Minor.
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No. 109 for Rs. 5000.
NOTICE is hereby given that the COUPONS for the half yearly interest at 4 per cent. per annum on the above bonds which is due on the 30th September 1889, having been cut or mutilated by the holder Mr. NOOR MAHOMED JAIRAZBHOY, Honorary Secretary and Trustee of the JAIRAZBHOY PESTONJEE RUGINA Benevolent Trust Fund, Bombay, the Port Trustees will on or after the 3rd January 1890 pay the interest to the said Noor Mahomed Jairazbhoy, unless any valid claim thereto be made before that day being presented. Dated 20th December 1889.
A. SMYTHE,
Ag. Secretary to the Bombay Port Trust.
By order of the Port Trustees.
NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. JEHANGHIRE NUSSERWANJEE MODY has by mutual consent retired from our firm at Hong Kong on under the name of NUSSERWANJEE JAMANJEE MODY & Co., and the branch firm thereof at Hongkong carried on under the name of NUSSERWANJEE MODY and Co., and BURJORJEE FRAMJEE & Co., as and from the 2nd day of October last and his INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY in the said several firms has CEASED from that date.
NUSSERWANJEE BOMONJEE MODY & Co.
Bombay, 31st Dec. 1889.
WITH reference to the above it is hereby notified that Messrs. KAIKHUSHROO AIDASEER MODY and EDULJEE ARDASEER MODY have been admitted as partners in the firm of NUSSERWANJEE MODY and Co. and BURJORJEE FRAMJEE & Co. The business of all the said several firms will be carried on as hitherto.
NUSSERWANJEE BOMONJEE MODY & Co.
Bombay, 31st Dec. 1889.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be Closed from FRIDAY the 10th to Monday the 20th instant, both days inclusive. By order of the Board of Directors.
J. H. W. SLIGHT,
Offg. Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 3rd January 1890.

BANK OF BOMBAY.
NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the half year ended 31st December last, at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum free of Income Tax, will be payable on application, on and after the 20th instant, to Registered Shareholders on 31st December last.
By order of the Board of Directors.
J. H. W. SLIGHT,
Offg. Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 3rd January 1890.

WESTERN INDIA TURF CLUB.
L. SYMONS, Esqr, has been appointed a steward of the W. I. T. C. during the absence of A. SEYER, Esq.
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SALES BY AUCTION.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.
No. 4 FORBES & MEDOWS STREETS.

SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY AT SIVDI.

Messrs. MEHRJEE, JONHSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction, by order of the mortgagee, Sha Ruzoowandas Narandas, and on account and risk of the mortgagor, Shawkshaw Pestonjee Nirdumwalla.
ON No. 2, THIS DAY SATURDAY, the 4th January, 1890, at 4 p.m. on the premises.
All that piece of Government Toka land, together with the messuages, tenements or dwelling houses, bungalow and cawl, situate without the Fort of Bombay, at Sivdi Road, in the registration sub-district of Bombay, formerly as well as now in the occupation of the said Shawkshaw Pestonjee and his tenants, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under F. Ward No. 1,221 and street No. 149, and F Ward No. 1,222 and street No. 150, containing by admeasurement about 419 square yards registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under old No.—, new No. 16,816, old survey No.—, and new survey No. 1-3-320, which said premises standing in the name of the said Shawkshaw Pestonjee, both in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue and Municipality, and bounded on the east by the Sivdi Road aforesaid, on the west by the ground of Moroba Lakhmonjee, on the north by the ground of Nowrojee Jamsetjee Wadia and on the south by the property of Gool Mahomed Jaskra.
For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned.

SALE OF MILL STORES, HARDWARE, MACHINERY, SHIP-CHANDLERS GOODS, &c.
Under instructions from The Prince of Wales Fire Insurance Company, Limited, Messrs. MEHRJEE JOHNSTON and Co. will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 7th January 1890, at 12 o'clock noon, (and on the subsequent days until all lots are sold) at No. 3, Apollo Street Fort (in the Building in the lane of the old English Hotel), the same consisting of manila, fire plugs, small engine 3 H.P., sample boiling press drilling machine, pumps, shaping machine, hydro-extractor valve, yarn tester, boiler testers, indicators, gauges, counters, gauge glasses, tube vices, pipe cutters, screw spanners, screw press, brass bearings, cars, couplings cocks, copper nozzles, beam scales, yarn scales, Weston's chain blocks, pulley blocks, sets of stocks and dies, wrenches, taps, screw tools, saltpenetre, leather beltings, hair beltings, hydraulic leather, & bands, L. hose, L. piping, J. flange, suction hose, canvas pipes, red and white rubber, brown foil; reeling tapes, sizing flannel, roller cloth, cotton banding, Manilla rope, lamp wicks, canvas reels, holds, reed hooks, shuttles, slicts, roller skins, card chains, guide hooks, pressures, mule springs, creel pegs, nippers, fixers, skewers, zinc castings, ring travellers, emery cord, facing paper, twine sizing, soap & paraffin wax, brushes, bobbins, oil feeders, iron washers, rivets, ship-fittings, boat cars, bolts and nuts, screws, wire, punches card can binders, wire nettings, perforated sheets, electric materials, Russin glue, asbestos, chalk, I. R., and Mount-ford packings Scotts cement, hand lamps &c.
Catalogues published, and the property of view.
MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.
Bombay, January 4, 1890.

MESSRS. SHERIFF, SON & COMPANY,
APOLLO STREET.
Messrs. SHERIFF, SON and Co. will sell by Auction, at their rooms, THIS DAY, at 2 p.m., a collection of handsome household furniture, comprising centre and pier tables, teapoys whatnot, book shelves, almirahs, cupboards, wardrobes chiffonieres, dressing tables, washhand stands, iron and wooden cots, a tricycle, perambulators, hanging, wall, and table lamps, clocks, China vases, table [illegible], harmoniums and a Cottage Piano, &c.
Property is on view.
SHERIFF, SON & CO.,
Bombay, January 4, 1890. Auctioneers.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE s s Ehrenfels, 1,600 tons, Captain Kayser, arrived in harbour yesterday morning from Cardiff via Port Said with 2,539 tons of coal. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Grade and Company.

THE B I S N Co's s s Sirdhana, 2,055 tons, Captain S Maclanchlan, arrived in harbour yesterday morning from Calcutta via Coast ports, with general cargo and 13 deck passengers.

THE s s Deccan, 2,022 tons, Captain H W Bray, arrived in harbour on Thursday evening from Jeddah via Aden, with a general cargo and 1,170 pilgrims. During her voyage there were 16 deaths.

THE Asiatic S N Co's s s Kohinur, 1,935 tons Captin J Bullock, arrived in harbour yesterday morning from Calcutta via Coast ports with a general cargo, and the following passengers:—Mr and Mrs L C Simpson and 2 children, Miss Donndly, and 15 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's s s Asia, 1,139 tons, Captain A J Windebank, sailed yesterday for coast ports and Calcutta with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Revd and Mrs Hartmann, Revd and Mr Altermuller, Mr Barmer, Mr Charles Bordes, Col Fraser, and 67 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's s s Simla, 1,039 tons, Captain W. Major, arrived in harbour yesterday from the Persian Gulf via Karachi, with a general cargo, and the following passengers:—Mr. Fatine, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Barnes, Surgn-Major and Mrs. Ware and 5 children, and 59 deck passengers.

DEPARTURE OF THE CHINA AND AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

THE P. and O. Co's. s s Peninsular, 2,711 tons Captain W. J. Webber sailed yesterday for China, &c., with Her Majesty's China and Australian Mails, a general cargo and the following passengers:—For Sydney—Mr. Atkinson, Mr. H. Hurnby, Mr. R. Jenkins, and Mr. W. Cooper. For Melbourne—Mr. Thos Bennett, Mr. W. Fraser, and Mr. J. Afair. For Yokohama—Mr. R H. Wright. For Shanghai:—Mr. A. S. Dyer and Mr. W. E. Robbins. For Colombo—Mr. and Mrs. W. Pearse, Mr. H. K. Bathey, Mr. W. A. Baker, Mr. E. John, Mr. T. Forbes, and Mr. H. Purdie.

VESSELS IN DOCKS.—JANUARY 3.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessels.	Tons	Captains.	Sheds	Company or Agents.
„ Cy of Dublin	2159	Swan	A	Sir C Forbes & Co.
„ Clan Macdonald	1716	Rule	B	Finlay Muir & Co.
„ Ktof St John	2283	Bevis	C	K Nixon & Co.
„ Menada	1577	Avern	D	B I S N Co.
„ Sultan	2414	Vellacott	N	H A L Baladina.
„ Laboudonnais	1274	Sibilet	O	M Maritimes Co.

VICTORIA DOCK.

			No.	
„ Britannia	1921	Brown	2	W & A Graham & Co
„ Po	1921	Anfossi	4	F Bonzoni.
„ Blasmor	1499	Valle	5	F. Bonzoni.
„ Imperatrix	3440	Egger	7	A H L S N Co.
„ Alcatra	359	Lunsich	8	A H Lloyd's S.N Co.
„ Arabia	674	Tico	9	B I S N Co.
„ Europa	1143	Jones	12	K Nixon & Co.
„ Aston Hall	2254	Fowler	13	S. Bates & Co.
„ Kt. Errant	2240	Mathews	16	K. Nixon & Co.

ARRIVALS.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander	From
2	Deccan (s)	Bray	Jeddah, Dec 17.
3	Ehrenfels (s)	Kayser	Cardiff, Dec 4.
	Sirdhana (s)	Maclanchl'n	Calcutta, Dec 11.
	Kohinur (s)	Bullock	Calcutta, Dec 13.
	Tocopilla (barque)		Mauritius, Nov 25.
	Hindoo (s)	Baker	Cutch Mandvi.
	Simla (s)	Major	Persian Gulf.

DEPARTURES.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
3	Twickenham (s)	Cox	Genoa, &c.
	Peninsular (s)	Webber	China, &c.
	Assam (s)	Brown	Aden.
	Asia (s)	Windebank	Coast ports and Calcutta.

The following vessels were entered for loading yesterday:
Steamer Clan Macdonald, for Liverpool.
„ Kohieur, for Coast Ports and Calcutta.
„ Ktof St John, for Liverpool.
„ Hindoo, for Cutch Mandvi, &c.
„ Deccan, for Mauritius.

DAILY EXPORTS.—JAN. 3.

FOR LIVERPOOL.
Aston Ha s—2,088 cwts wheat, Tod Durant and Co; 75 bags wool, David Sassoon and Co; 200 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 50 bales cotton, S C Chuterbuy; 193 bales cotton, A. Sabapathy Moodliar and Co; 36 bales wool, E Sawjee; 98 bales wool, W and A Graham and Co; 80 bales wool, J Khimjee; 75 cwts Indian condiments, M Poonjiaee and Sons 1,650 cwts Nigerseed, Glade and Co; 20,000 cwts wheat, Killick Nixon and Co; 8 bales waste silk, A Baschoek and Co; 500 cwts cloves, Tharia Topan; 2,000 cwts wheat, B and A M Sulaiman s—465 cwts myrabollams, Saith Veeram.
Clan Macdonald s—20 bales cotton, E D Sassoon and Co; 500 cwts wheat, Napoo Nowseed and Co; 50 bales wool, Mulla Khoseinali; 72 bales cotton, A Sabapathy Moodeliar and Co; 300 bales cotton, Lyon and Co; 19 bales cotton, A Sabapathy Moodeliar and Co; 100 bales cotton, Utamchand Heerjee; 125 bales wool, E Gaggji and Co; 4,000 cwts wheat, B and A Hormusjee; 66 bales wool, Kika Khusal; 5,000 cwts wheat, Killick Nixon and Co; 500 cwts bone meal, N J Chetna; 929 cwts myrabolams, David Sassoon and Co.
City of Dublin s—2,000 cwts wheat, Sir Charles Forbes and Co; 515 cwts myrabollams, David Sassoon and Co; 4000 cwts wheat, E D Sassoon and Co.

FOR HULL.
Durham s—8,000 cwtswheat, Sanday and Co; 1,000 cwts myrabollams, David Sassoon and Co; 525 cwts myrabollams, Jaibha Veeram.
Durham s—1,000 cwts myrabollams, Veerjee Hansraj; 12,900 cwts wheat, E D Sassoon and Co; 1,000 cwts wheat, David Sassoon and Co;

FOR HAVRE.
Kt Errant s—175 bales cotton, George Lockhart and Co; 200 cwts horns, Volkart Brothers; 200 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers.

FOR DUNKIRK.
Europa s—584 cwts rapeseed and 2,000 cwts gingellyseed, Tod Durant and Co; 4,002 cwts linseed and 100 bales cotton, Killick Nixon and Co; 3,005 cwts linseed, R Spinner and Co; 2,021 cwts linseed, J C Bushby and Co; 1,000 cwts poppyseed, E D Sassoon and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.
Britannia s—4,991 cwts gingellyseed, F L Batliboi and Co; 375 cwts castorseed, Tod Durant and Co; 7,191 cwts groundnuts and 2,001 cwts gingelly seed, E D Sassoon and Co; 720 cwts copra, H J H Bess.

FOR ANTWERP.
Kt of St John s—400 cwts groundnuts and 2,001 cwts gingelly seed, A Blaschcek and Co; 2,000 cwts wheat, David Sassoon and Co; 1,570 bales cotton, F Sauquet and Co; 1,366 cwts wheat, Ralli Brothers; 1,000 bales cotton, Lyon and Co; 200 bales cotton, Glade and Co; 8,000 cwts wheat, J C Bushby and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.
Imperatrix s—80 bales cotton, A Blaschcek and Co; 80 pots rosa oil, E S Abadia; 56 bales cotton, A Blaschcek and Co; 10 cwts roughstone, F Fischer and Co.
Dora Foster s—110 bales cotton, E D Sassoon and Co; 276 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers; 110 bales cotton, Ritchie, Steuart and Co; 220 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers; 110 bales cotton, Gaddum Bythell and Co; 220 bales cotton, E Spinner and Co.

FOR GENOA.
Po s—150 bales cotton, A Blaschcek and Co; 100 bales cotton, The Bombay Co; 125 bales cotton, Glade and Co.

FOR NAPLES.
Po s—100 bales cotton, E Spinner and Co.

FOR VENICE.
Dora Foster s—150 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers; 960 bales cotton, Gaddum, Bythell and Co; 300 bales cotton, Killick Nixon and Co; 200 bales cotton, A Sabapathy Moodeliar and Co.
Electra s—30 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers.

FOR NEW YORK.
Britannia s—180 cwts wet dates, Monahem Messa.

FOR LEGHORN.
Po s—2,008 cwts linseed, Killick, Nixon and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.
Peninsular s—1½ chests opium, Sassoon J David and Co.
Lombardy s—500 bales twist, E D Sassoon and Co; 150 tons old iron, Ritchie, Stewart and Co.
Bisagno s—280 bales twist, Sassoon J David and Co s 125 bales twist, E S Woonwalla and Co; 60 bale; twist, Kessowjee Veerjee; 85 tons old iron, E Tyabjee and Co; 15 bales twist, J Pembhoy and Co; 50 bales twist, T M Sons and Co; 50 bales twist, Ramjee Kanjee; 100 bales twist, C Bomonjee and Co; 100 bales twist, Ebrahim Noordin and Co; 150 bales twist, Silas E Sassoon and Co; 150 bales cotton, H A Esmail and Co; 344 cwts sandalwood, J Peerbhoy and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI.
Bisagno s—50 bales twist, T M Sons and Co; 50 bales twist, Silas E Sassoon; 25 bales twist, Kessowjee Veerjee.

FOR KOBE.
Bisagno s—25 bales twist, C Macdonald and Co; 35 bales twist, Kessowjee Veerjee; 50 bales twist, Silas E Sassoon.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY:
BOMBAY, 2nd January, 1890.

Means of observations at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fahr	29·91
Temperature of the Air	76·8
Wet Bulb Thermometer	68·7
Dew Point	61·7
Relative humidity of Air	57·2
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky counted =10)	0·0
Maximum temperature of air (read at 3 a.m., next day)	85·3
Minimum do. do. (read at 3 a.m.)	68·8
General Directions of Wind	N, NNE, ENE, WNW, NNW, N.
Movement of wind in 24 hours	301

* From midnight to midnight.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 3.

CONSOLS recovered a portion of their recent fall yesterday, being quoted by Reuter ¼ per cent. higher, at 97¼, money in London having become rather easier. The Bank of England returns for the week ending on Wednesday disclosed a decrease in the Bank's Reserve of 6 per cent., at 27 per cent. of the Liabilities; but the figures wired show an increase of nearly 5½ million pounds in Private Deposits; and though the Bank rate remained at the lately enhanced quotation of 6 per cents the market rates of discount were ¼ per cent. lower for short London Bills, and ¼ down for six months sight Indian Bank Paper, at 4½ and 3¾ per cent. respectively.
Silver was ½d. higher, Reuter's quotation of 44½d. per oz. being confirmed by private telegrams. Rupee Securities were unchanged in Fours at £68⅛, but ⅛ higher in 4½ per cents. at £71⅛. Indian Sterling Loan advanced ¼ per cent., returning to the old quotation of 107¼. A lakh of extra Wire Transfers on Calcutta, and the same amount on Madras, were placed by the Indian Council yesterday at 1s. 5 1-32d., which shows an advance of 1-16d. on the regular allotments on the previous day, and of 1-32d. on the extra sales thereafter. The weekly shipments of Specie were heavy, consisting of £310,000 in Silver, and £80,000 in Gold, all for this port.
Quotations from Paris make French Rentes ¼ per cent. higher at 84½; and Exchange on London further advanced two centimes, say to francs 25·25½.
No change is reported in the General Produce Markets.
Cotton in Liverpool closed firm last evening at an advance of 1-16d. in spot Mid. American at 5·58d. per lb., and of 1-64d to 1-32d. in American Arrivals, Surats being unaltered in value. The day's Sales aggregated 10,000 bales, of which 10 per cent. were Surats. The Imports were 69,000 bales. The Manchester market was firm.
In New York, April Futures were 8 points higher at 10·30 cents; but the spot price was still unaltered at 10¼ cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 31,000 bales (apparently for two days), and the total figures since the opening of the season now give the following comparison with the two preceding years:—

	1889.	1888.	1887.
Thursday's Receipts	31,000	26,000	22,000
Five days' do.	171,000	178,000	130,000
Since 1st September	4,263,000	3,788,000	4,098,000

Here we have had a steady market for the staple to-day, but no change in prices, and the business transacted has been upon only a moderate scale, aggregating under 1,500 bales of ready new stuff, consisting principally of Bengals, at Rs. 189-1; Julgaum, at Rs. 206-7; and Barsee, at Rs. 220-30; but including a little Damurgaum, at Rs. 215; Sheagaum, at Rs. 213; Nuggur, at Rs. 209; and Bhownuggur, at Rs. 226 per candy.
WHEAT has been firm again in presence of a good demand from shippers, and a considerable business has transpired; but prices are quoted as before, all round.
SEEDS have been taken to a moderate extent in a steady market, with prices unchanged for all descriptions.
The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	7,669 bales.
Wheat	19,793 qrs.
Linseed	1,163 „
Rapeseed	410 „
Gingelly	10,113 „
Ground Nuts	2,436 „

FREIGHTS are steady. The Knight Templar (s) has been berthed for Hull and has engaged most of the cargo required at 20s. per ton. The Clan Forbes (s), to arrive, has been fixed for picked ports at 20s 3d. per ton.
EXCHANGE opened with a firm feeling at an advance of 3-32d. on demand Bank Bills, and of 1d. in three months' sight Credits, on last Monday's closing quotations, and rates for remittance afterwards advanced 1-32d. to our quotations, a good deal having been done in Bank Demand thereat for ready, and at 1s. 5d. for delivery to the end of February. It has, however, been a quiet day for Private Bills, the supply of which has been checked by the higher rates. Forward Credits have been quoted at 1s. 5 7-32d. for March, 1s. 5 3-16d. for April, and 1s. 5 5-32d. for May delivery, our final ready quotations being as follows:—

Bank Bills on demand	1s. 5 1-32d. per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 4 31-32d. „
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 5¼. „
Credits do.	1s. 5¾d. „
Francs do.	1·81½ „

GOVERNMENT PAPER has had another serious drop to-day, opening at 97¼ for Fours for cash, and the coming settlement against last Monday's delivery account. Rates soon declined further & per cent. for this Paper in all positions, and, at closing, 97 was quoted for Money and the settling day on Monday. In the other Papers 102½ is the nominal quotation.
SHARES.—Mill scrip continues out of favour, and we report a decline of Rs. 30 in Hyderabad Deccan; of Rs. 20 in Morarji Gokaldas; of Rs. 10 each in Queen, Ripon, and Swadeshi; of Rs. 5 in Oriental; and of Rs. 2½ in Manockji Petit, at our quotations. Lukmidas Khimji are Rs. 5 higher, at Rs. 820. Munmar Press are Rs. 7½ lower, at Rs. 200. Bombay Fire are down Rs. 25, at Rs. 825. Delhi and Northern Flour are Rs. 2½ lower, at Rs. 177½. Treacher and Co. have declined Rs. 5 to Rs. 1,265 per share.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.
LONDON, JAN. 2.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed firm. Surats steady.

Good Dholleras	4½d.
The Manchester Market is firm.	
7 lbs. Shirtings	5 1½
8½ „ „	6 4½
40s Mule Twist	9½
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight	1s. 11-16d.
2½ per cent. Consols for account	97⅛
3 per cent. French Rentes	87½
4 per cent. Rupee paper	68½
4½ per cent. „	71½
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	107½
Bar Silver	44½d. per oz.

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—Total bullion, £ 17,990,000, increase, £ 100,000; public deposits £ 6,100,000, increase, £ 100,000; other deposits £ 29,000,000, increase, £ 5,400,000; other securities, £ 27,800,000, increase, £ 6,100,000; notes and gold, £ 9,300,000, decrease, £ 300,000. The Bank's reserve is 27 per cent. of the liabilities.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER REPORT.

SIMLA, Jan. 3.—The barometer has risen everywhere. Conditions in general are unchanged. The high pressure area is overlying north-western India and relatively low readings are manifest over the Bay. Area of the wind directions are fairly normal, and the force is generally moderate or light. Strong winds in the Gangetic Plain having fallen, temperature changes are generally small except on the hill, where a brisk rise is reported. Mean temperature is in excess of the average in Burma and Northern and Central India, and in defect on the Peninsula, but in excess on the hills between 10° and 15°. Is weather very fine, and no rain is reported. No sign of immediate change.

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORTS.

JANUARY 3.
STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.
Great Britain.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
Continent of Europe.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
America.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.
Australia.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
China.—Via Penang perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
* Cable Trinidad-Demerara interrupted. Telegrams for British Guiana will be forwarded by special boat.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

LATEST dates of foreign messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 3rd Jan. 1890.

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission.* Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	3	24	53	2	8
Teheran	3	06	56	...	44
Suez	3	06	48	...	58

* Difference in longitude allowed for.

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to B

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

...AL NEWS TELEGRAMS.

...ALBERT SASSOON.

LONDON, JAN. 3.

...oon, Knight, has been made a ...

...CHOLERA IN EUROPE.

LONDON, JAN. 3.

...es expression to the apprehen... ...break of cholera may occur in ...

...RIAL CRISIS IN SPAIN.

LONDON, JAN. 3.

...the Sagasta Ministry has become ...eir resignation is believed to be ...

...E OF RUSSIAN EXILES IN SIBERIA.

LONDON, JAN. 3.

...en received of the massacre of a ...n exiles by the Russian autho...

... made to seize a secret printing ... suspected of being used for Nihi... thirty of the exiles were killed ...

... that the Cossack Guard aided ...

...ERIKES IN BELGIUM.

LONDON, JAN. 3.

... works at Seraing, near ... Nations, storming ...

...ONDON PRESS.

...ONDON, JAN. 3.

... in London denies the ...ews that the Sultan had ... to suppress certain London ... of their having published un... ...oncerning affairs in Crete.

...A ON THE CONTINENT.

...NERAL IGNATIEFF ILL.

LONDON, JAN. 3.

... prominent personages on the Continent ... suffering from influenza.

...General Ignatieff is dangerously ill with it.

...CHAEAN RUSSIAN INTERVENTION IN CRETE.

ODESSA, JAN. 3.

...It is stated here that an understanding has been arrived at between Russia and Greece in regard to Crete.

...Greece will actively defend the Cretans, and Russia will in that case give her moral support.

THE LONDON POLICE ATTACKED WITH INFLUENZA.

LONDON, JAN. 3.

Numbers of the London police are affected with influenza and have been invalided.

IRISH RAILWAY EMPLOYES' STRIKE.

LONDON, JAN. 3.

The posters on the Dublin and Wexford Railway have struck work for higher wages.

The train service is irregular, and the company are endeavouring to replace the men, who are supported, however, by the men employed on other lines.

ILLNESS OF M. DE LESSEPS.

PARIS, JAN. 3.

M. de Lesseps is ill.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

A SOUVENIR TO ADMIRAL COMMERELL.

LONDON, JAN. 2.

Emperor William presented a sword to Admiral Commerell as a souvenir of the review of the British fleet, at which his Majesty was present.

PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR IN CALCUTTA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 3.

Calcutta was en *fete* to-day since early morning. There was hurrying to and fro, and the excitement and bustle reached their climax at noon, when streams of people were seen issuing from every creek and corner of the city wading their way to Prinsep's Ghat. By 3 p.m. thousands of carriages had lined the road from the river side to Government House, while a seething, surging mass of human heads were moving about the Maidan, occupying every vantage ground to catch a glimpse of the future Emperor of India, and give him a right hearty loyal welcome to the metropolis. Over the reception pavilion floated the Royal standard, on either side of which were a number of smaller flags on the cornice facing the river. In the centre was a large-sized silver Star of India, underneath which was a design bearing the words, "Welcome to Calcutta" which was very pretty, indeed, with fan flags on either side, both ends of the cornice lower down being similarly decorated with fan flags. The pillars were decorated with red and white flags interwined with garlands of evergreens, at the foot of each pillar being a number of flower pots. The centre of the cornice, facing the Maidan, was set off with a large fan of flags with a wreath in the centre supported on either side by a similar fan of flags and wreaths, while outside the Ghat, on either side, were four poles decorated with banners and flags and shields. For the accommodation of the public there were five tiers of seats giving the appearance of an amphitheatre, sufficient to contain 2,000 people. The seats were divided into seven blocks, forming together an imposing grand stand constructed of solid brick work. The dais was placed in the centre of the Ghat, and was of masonry work; it was lined with carpet, handsomely encircled with hand-rails of scarlet velvet with brass stanchions, bell ropes, and tassels of scarlet and gold. The route all along was lined by the military, under excellent arrangements made by Brigadier-General Auchinleck, commanding the Presidency District. Troops were drawn up in two ranks facing the centre of the road and extended at intervals, allowing as near as possible a front of three yards per man. The space between the men in the streets was equally divided as far as possible, sufficient room being left behind each of the ranks and facing the centre of the road to allow carriages in single line to pass behind the troops thus preventing any impediment to public business. The steamer Kistna left Rangoon on Tuesday morning, experiencing fine weather the whole way with a slight head sea. She arrived at Sandheads at two o'clock yesterday, where she took a pilot on board and anchored at Saugor the same evening. This morning she weighed anchor and arrived here at quarter to four in the afternoon. The Prince's apartments were fitted up sumptuously and arrangements were made for every possible comfort. The vessel was lit throughout by electric light. The Prince's suite consists of Sir Edward Bradford, Lord Claude Hamilton, Captain Halford, Captain Harvey, Captain Edwards, and Dr. Jones. On the Kistna cast anchor at quarter after four Lord Beresford, Sir John Ware Edgar, Chief Secretary to the Bengal Government, and Mr. J. B. Mackay, of the B. I. S. N. Company, went in a steam launch to wait upon the Prince. Shortly after the booming of the guns from Fort William was announced, the Prince and party had embarked on board the steam launch. As she neared the pontoon, many vessels in harbour, which were decorated with bunting, dipped their flags in honor of the Prince. A party from the American war vessel Aurora also came on shore to receive his Royal Highness. On alighting, the Prince was received by H. E. the Viceroy and Lieutenant-Governor, and from this point the official programme was punctiliously observed. A few minutes before the reading of the Corporation address, his Royal Highness spent a minute or two in admiring the casket prepared by Messrs. Hamilton and Company, a magnificent specimen of silversmith's art. Sir Henry Harrison then read an address, to which the Prince replied as follows :—

"Mr. Chairman and Members of the Corporation of Calcutta,—It is with the greatest pleasure and satisfaction that I to-day find myself in Calcutta, the metropolis of her Majesty's Indian Empire, and I need hardly say how much this gratification is enhanced by your presentation of an address which has just been read, couched, as it is, in terms of eloquent loyalty, and bidding me as the grandson of her Majesty the Queen-Empress a welcome to your city. Ever since my arrival in India, now two months ago, I have been immensely struck by the intense feeling of affection and devotion to the throne and person of her Majesty the Queen-Empress that animates all races and classes in this country, and the splendid manner in which, from a desire to give expression to this feeling, I have been received and welcomed throughout my tour, and at each place I have visited, has astonished and greatly impressed me. My journey has so far been one of continual pleasure, wonder, and instruction, and nowhere has this been the case more than in Upper Burma, to which I have just paid an all too short visit, for it is to me a perfect marvel that such complete order and evident contentment should have been secured and established in the short period that has elapsed since it was brought within the confines of the British Empire. I am now looking forward with equal interest to my tour through Bengal and the northern provinces, in which I feel sure that, large as the expectation, my experiences of the past have undoubtedly led me to form, they will be more than realized. With all sincerity I endorse the hope so gracefully expressed in your address that my visit, whilst adding to the attachment already existing to the Crown, may not be without its good effects upon myself. I can assure you that I shall carry with me from these shores a lively interest and regard for all the Indian subjects of her Majesty the Queen-Empress, and, as I know to be the case with my father, their sentiments will ever find a foremost place in my heart. In conclusion let me, gentlemen, thank you very sincerely for your cordial welcome, which will be as highly appreciated by her Majesty and my parents, as it is by myself. Since the steamer dropped anchor I have received copies of close than 116 messages of welcome from the communities, municipalities, and associations of Bengal, Behar, Orissa, and Assam, of the value of which I am deeply sensible."

After this ceremony was over the Viceregal party with the Prince returned to Government House.

H. R. H. PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, JAN. 3.

The steamer bringing H. R. H. Prince Albert Victor from Burma was signalled at Diamond Harbour early this morning, and his Royal Highness was expected to land at Calcutta about four in the afternoon.

APPOINTMENTS.

Major Travers, of the 2nd Gurkhas, succeeds Lieutenant-Colonel Neville Chamberlain as Interpreter to the Commander-in-Chief.

Colonel Jopp has arrived in Calcutta to officiate as Consulting Engineer to Government Railways during Colonel Luard's absence on leave.

THE INDIAN RAILWAY BILL.

The Select Committee of the Legislative Council on the Indian Railway Bill have held a preliminary meeting, at which they have settled the basis on which to work during the next six weeks, before presenting their final report.

BELUCHISTAN REGULATIONS.

The new Beluchistan regulations will shortly be published. The Chief Commissioner will be given the powers of a High Court, except as regards European British subjects, who will come under the jurisdiction of the Lahore Chief Court.

THE SUPREME LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 3.

At to-day's Legislative Council Sir R. Crosthwaite introduced the Bill to facilitate the disposal of business of Civil Courts in the Central Provinces in places where there are Small Cause Courts. By the Central Provinces Civil Courts Act the Chief Commissioner may confer upon the Assistant Commissioner jurisdiction of Small Cause Courts. If the intention of the Legislature were carried out many cases disposed of by Tahsildars, and all cases cognisable by Naib Tahsildars, would have to be dealt with by Assistant Commissioners, which would burden the latter with more work than they could dispose of. To meet this difficulty, the proposed amendment would enable the Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner to distribute business in Civil Courts as he thinks fit, so that all Small Cause Court suits exceeding in value a certain amount, shall be tried by Assistant Commissioners, while suits of lower value are left to be dealt with by the Tahsildar and Naib Tahsildar.

MR. PRICE ON LEAVE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, JAN. 3.

The Honble Mr. Price, Chief Secretary to Government, leaves for Australia on leave, on the 13th instant. Mr. Galton acts for him.

CRICKET: MADRAS *VS.* 21st HUSSARS.

In the cricket match played between Madras and the 21st Hussars, the former beat by an innings and 75 runs.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

PENANG, JAN. 3

The P. and O. Company's s. s. Khiva, extra, left here for Bombay this afternoon.

COLOMBO, JAN. 3.

The French mail steamer Niemen, from Calcutta, arrived.

DEPARTURE OF MR. BRADLAUGH AND SIR WILLIAM WEDDERBURN.

YESTERDAY afternoon Mr. Charles Bradlaugh, M.P., and Sir William Wedderburn left Bombay by the English mail steamer. Handbills announcing the time and place of the departure had been distributed over the city; and the members of the reception committee, the Indian delegates to the recent Congress who happened to be still in Bombay, and the general public, had been invited to be present on the occasion. There was, as might have been expected, a large concourse of people of different classes and creeds at the Apollo Bunder, from an early hour yesterday afternoon. And there were also many basket-loads of flowers to symbolise the esteem and good-will of the people towards the friends whom they had met to honour at their departure. Some excitement and enthusiasm were the necessary concomitants of an assembly met together under such circumstances. Among those present were Messrs. A. O. Hume, Javrilal Umiashanker Yajnik, Dinsha E. Vacha, N. G. Chandavarkar, Damodhardas Thackersey Modjee, Amiruddin Tyobjee, Fateh Ali Shaik Ahmed, Vandravandas Purshotumdas, Vijbhucandas Atmaram, Lukhmidas Khimjee, Ganesham Nilkant, Tookaram Tattia, Manekshа J. Taleyarkhan, Virchand Dipchand, Dhurumsey Morarjee Gocalias, V. A. Modak, Harkissondas Narotumdas, A. M. Dharumsey, Rustom K. R. Cama, V. A. Khare, Baojee V. J. Sankeresti, G. M. Pitale, Sorabji C. Khumbatta, Professor R. G. Bhandarkar, Messrs. Dinsha D. Daver, Shivrao V. Bhandarkar, Shamrao Vithal, V. K. Bhatevadekar, Gopalrao Hari Deshmookh, Mansukram Surajram, Shivjee Dharmajeee, N. R. Ranina, Dosabhoy Framjee Cama, Dr. Weir, Dr. Boyd, Dr. Cowasjee Hormusjee, Dr. A. D. Mody, Dr. Atmaram Pandurang, Dr. Bullel, Dr. Kane, Dr. Bhachundra Krishna, Dr. Da Gama, Dr. Dhurmajee Ganesh, Messrs. Premchund Roychund, Sadanand Paleker, Runchordas Vandravandas, Jugmohandas Vundravandas, Shamrao M. Rele, Gokuldas K. Parekh, &c. Mr. Bradlaugh and Sir William Wedderburn drove up to the Bunder with Mr. Pherozshah M. Mehta, and as they passed up the road, they must have noticed the farewell greeting of the native community to Mr. Bradlaugh in the shape of handbills put up in conspicuous places with the following words :—

"Champion of India!!
"Good bye.
"A nation's gratitude
"Fans thy glorious path!!!"

The approach of Mr. Pherozshah's carriage was the signal for a general rush made upon it from all directions; and basket-loads of flowers were emptied upon it. So great was the pressure of the throng that it was deemed advisable after a halt to drive the carriage up to the pier-head. There was another general rush upon it, and it was with great difficulty that the occupants could get out. Mr. Bradlaugh and Sir William Wedderburn, as soon as they alighted near the landing steps, were almost smothered with showers of loose flowers and garlands of flowers which were put round their necks. They managed with much difficulty to get down the landing-steps; and as the steam launch which took them to the mail boat left the shore, they were greeted with peals of cheers, which were kept up for several minutes. Both these gentlemen acknowledged these tokens of good will towards them by lifting their hats. They were accompanied to the steamer by Messrs. Pherozshah Mehta, A. O. Hume, Javerilal Umiashunker Yajnik, Dinsha E. Vacha, J. Ghosal, Ratiram Durgaram, Jugmohandas Vandravandas, and Madan Mohun.

VANITY FAIR.

FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 13.

HERE we are, with a threatened gas and coal strike, and the horrors of a coming plague of influenza hanging Damocles'-sword-wise over our heads, and yet we think of nothing but frivolity—Christmas cards and Christmas presents, Christmas feasts and Christmas jollity. In bygone times, when a plague of darkness or disease was foretold, the city put on sack cloth, shovelled out its ashes, and sat penitentially deploring the illdeeds which had called down so grave a scourge. But we have changed all that. It was all very well for the Egyptians and the Ninevites, they were not progressive, nor cultured; nor had they, we must own, as much brass as our generation, which leaves the sack-cloth and ashes to be worn in the exigencies of his profession by the dustman, and goes forth clad in its best to enjoy light and health while it is left. Plutonian darkness may settle on London in a few hours—the pestilential Russian influenza may deprive us of all consciousness except of the want of pocket handkerchiefs. Meanwhile our motto is "Let us keep a Merry Christmas."

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There is no sign of sack-cloth or ashes in High Street, Kensington: on the contrary, it looks decked out for some Royal fete or triumphal procession, with gay streamers and banners floating over the cheerful crowd jostling one another along the paths and roadway. To get forward is a hard struggle without tumbling over perambulators or crushing small boys with big balloons, or calling forth the wrath of big boys who are engrossed with their favourite toy, a life-size walking, talking, smiling, and sometimes even flirting young-lady-doll. If we try to force a passage outside the path, the way is choked with novelty mongers, beseeching us to buy three jugs a penny, or a swinging monkey for two pence, or dolls' culinary utensils for threepence, or the striding soldier for six pence, or the man that drives a swan, nine pence, or a pup to bounce along the pavement for a shilling—all of which fascinating articles we heroically refuse; for who would have courage to carry, paperless, a pup, a monkey, a soldier, a man, a swan, three jugs, and some saucepans through the London streets? Not I for one. So to avoid further temptations we try the *route* that borders on the shop windows. Here still stronger hindrances occur. With noses flattened against the window, multitudes are making up their minds on what to spend their money. And a jolly lot of sinners they certainly are, though they refuse to be converted by fear of influenza plagues or prophecies of darkness. How they chatter over what is a suitable present for grandma, and what would be nice for father, or becoming to mother, or tolerable to the severely critical maiden aunt. Oh! the folly of giving to those who have already plenty. It is that which causes the difficulty of choosing. However such is the fashion and fashion is absolute. We must give to those who do not need it, and let the poor go away empty-handed. We must buy a five guinea trifle for our friend the duchess, and a penny card for her poorly off sister.

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But moralizing does not help us on through a crowded street, and it does not pay—two strong reasons for stopping it and attending strictly to business. And my business now is a pilgrimage through the shops in search of Christmas presents—not for myself—oh no! I have lived down those follies long ago—I have found out that cards and sachets and poetical effusions are not in my line—that they are vanity and vexation of spirit. Still those fine sentiments on the subject do not save me from being asked to buy them by my friends. I want you to buy me a love of a fan, says one gushing child of nature; and I must ask you, with your usual good taste, to choose a tea cloth for me, writes another of a soberer type. And another leaves the choice of a present entirely to myself—I will be sure to get something suitable. But it must not be a brooch, a fan, or book. Nor a pair of candlesticks, nor a tea-pot cosy, nor a clock. Nor silver—or rather white metal—or ivory which she dislikes, nor a hundred other things which form the staple gifts of Christmas time.

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Fans of all kinds are pretty this year, but there is no very striking novelty in the designs, except that the hand-painted gauzes, instead of flower edges, have a border formed of the wings of birds. A flight of swallows delicately painted made a pretty novelty, and there was something fascinating in the idea of being cooled by the soft waving of birds' wings. Another painted fan had a sea-gull with outspread wings poised over a calm blue sea. The idea was nice, but as a design it was not quite satisfactory. Birds and butterflies are always delicate and lovely, and there is something so suggestive of luxurious repose in them that one wonders who was responsible for such soft delights, being part of the papal paraphernalia. The new feather fans are tinted at the tips with faint shades of pink, mauve, or yellow, which necessitates a fan for every coloured dress.

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The newest tea-cloths at the Irish Linen Houses in Bond Street are of the finest damask, with an open lace border, made by drawing the threads and filling in with stitches copied from mediæval work. Sideboard cloths in the same style are very handsome. Others have an ornamental border, embroidered in white raised work, which shows off the pattern—the inside of the cloth being of a small all over spot is, of course, left quite plain. A very pretty present, bought for a lady, was a set of Venetian wine glasses, quaintly shaped, and with a grotesque beast creeping up the stems. They were of the peculiar pigeny color of most things at Salviati's; and though some men feel ill used at being obliged to taste their wine in colored glasses, these were so very charming that I think the veriest epicure would enjoy a draught from them.

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In preparation for the coming electric light which will set coal-strikers and oppressing gas companies at defiance, there are various new designs for electric hanging lamps. Some have drooping bells of cut glass, but the most effective and the best for subduing the glare are simply muffled. In china and dinner ware, porcelain jars, plaques and statuettes the newest things are to be seen at Ernst Wahliss's Austrian shop, not long opened in Oxford Street. All day long a crowd indulges in the cheap delight of examining the pretty things that alas! are beyond the compass of most of the gazers' purses. Another and even more enthusiastic crowd watches the three long-haired maidens that sit all day in the window of the shop that sells "Koko," the wonderful hair producer. If I had not strong suspicions that these maidens and their hair were evolved long before any one dreamt of Koko, I should feel tempted to try it; but unhappily for me and Koko I am one of the incredulous.

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Tuesday was prize day at the Royal Academy—and a very satisfactory day for the lady-students, who have this year carried off most of the prizes, though not the greatest one, the travelling student-ship gold medal and £200 which was awarded to Mr. Draper for his rendering of an episode in "The Deluge." The picture represented a cave, in front of which a girl squatted in dogged despair, while a man kept anxious watch, and some others in the back ground busied themselves over a figure which must have been drowned or hurt—the picture did not sufficiently explain which. Indeed the picture did not tell its story satisfactorily at all, though it was a clever bit of work and full of interest. But without the label, how could people know it was an episode of the Deluge? There was not a basin full of water in view. It might have been any episode of any early history preferably. The girl and the man were unmistakeably English, and though they had some fine tiger skins to point to their eastern surroundings, they also had in their belonging some brazen jars of the fifteenth century and a fish baskets of the nineteenth.

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Another picture was in my opinion far more expressive. A woman holding up an infant on a wave dashed rock, and a lion insensible to all but his fear crouching for company beside her. Below her a little boy held on, side by side with a dead man who lay crushed between rocks. What a very peculiar imagination a person must have who paints an episode of the deluge as if it happened yesterday. One picture represented a young lady, dressed in a loose tea gown or wrapper kind of garment, sitting in a bower, gazing with a rather unhappy expression at the ark which was sailing away in the distance towards the setting sun. Two other young persons shared her sorrow in an equally temperate way. You would decide they were disappointed at having been late for that boat, but expected a telegram every minute to say they could start by another company's steamer in a day or two. Meanwhile there seemed no reason to make them unhappy. The sea was calm, the bower was well furnished, and there were nice wraps and Persian shawls strewn about, in case they felt chilly. But I liked it on the whole better than some distressful scenes of draggled people, dead hands, and drowned bodies that had all the horror and none of the calm dignity of death. It is such a pity to perpetuate unpleasant things that I would forbid the representation of painful scenes, whether it was the torture scene of La Tosca, or the miseries of the deluge. Life is too short to spoil it with unnecessary sorrow. The Academy indice, having been so successful this year in taking prizes for so many subjects—landscape, decorative design, portrait of head, perspective drawing &c., hope to persuade the immortals to extend equal rights in the matter of figure painting to them as to their men fellow-students. But it is a question on which there is such variance of opinion, that until this generation of artists passes away it is unlikely that the women will be put on the same footing as the men. Meanwhile one must own they are heavily handicapped, and any successes they have are more hardly earned.

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Apropos of Art the Victoria Gallery opens for a private view to-morrow of the Humorous and Grotesque Exhibition. A quaint etching of a critical clown, reclining in a chair while a maiden points out the beauties of a picture, decorates the corner of the card of invitation sent me by the Council, and gives a foretaste of the treat.

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There is a general wail of sorrow for the death of Robert Browning, who perhaps because of his bright manner and frank face, seemed as if he could defy death for many a long year. Robert Browning was born on the 7th May 1812 in Camberwell, then a village on the outskirts of London. He was educated at Peckham School and University College, and when a boy of only twenty-one he published Pauline, and Paracelsus a couple of years later. As a dramatist Browning had very little success, and his play "Strafford," though produced by Macready at Covent Garden, failed to attract the public. It was with the news of the success of his latest volume of poetry "Asolanda" ringing in his ears that Browning died.

THE G. I. P. VOLUNTEER CAMP AT IGATPURI.

THURSDAY was the closing day of the camp which has been held at Igatpuri by the G. I. P. Railway Volunteers. The whole week during which the camp has lasted has been a most enjoyable one, and the weather has been all that could be desired. Those who have visited Igatpuri will remember the open grassy spaces to the south-west of the railway works. These spaces were utilised for the camp, while the level ground beyond them, between which and the station buildings the houses of most of the employés stand, were made use of for a parade-ground; and a very good one it made, having been cleared and levelled in a few days before the pitching of the camp. There were upwards of 350 men in camp, including the officers, and they made a splendid show as they paraded on Thursday morning at 7-30, the band, from Bombay, being in attendance, with Lieutenant-Colonel Jackson in command. Shortly after 8-30 Colonel Collingwood, the Inspecting Officer, who commands the 2nd Gloucestsy Regiment, now stationed at Colaba, made his appearance with his staff, and the drill competition between the various companies was commenced. Only three companies competed:—The K Company, from Parel, under the command of Major Hawkins; the A Company, from Bombay, under the command of Captain Middleton; and the D Company belonging to Igatpuri, under the command of Lieutenant Pilkington. The feeling of rivalry between the three companies ran high, and as each knew their drill almost to perfection, their movements were really worth witnessing. The smartness with which Major Hawkins manœuvred his men, could hardly have been surpassed, there being, indeed, little to choose between the three companies, so high is the state of excellence to which they have been brought by their officers. The men, too, are to be praised for the interest which, it is evident, they take in their corps, for without this, be the officers the smartest that exist, such satisfactory results could not have been obtained. The Inspecting Officer judged the winning company in the following way:—One hundred marks were set down as the maximum; but for the slightest imperfection either in the drill, or in the condition of their accoutrement, a certain number of marks was deducted from the total. The result was, the K Company proved to be the winners of the competition, getting 84 marks; The D Company closely followed, with a total of 83; and the A Company scored 81, being only three marks behind the winners. During the day, some examinations were held for a few of the officers and non-commissioned officers who had not yet passed their tests for efficiency. At a little after 4 o'clock the assembly sounded for the general inspection, and the men began to pour from their tents. They fell in upon the open ground near the engine sheds, and precisely at half-past four were marched on to the parade ground, to the music of the band from Bombay. In a few moments Col. Collingwood and his staff rode up, the general salute was given, and the inspection commenced. During the whole parade, the movements were, if possible, more smartly executed than in the morning, and considering the little there was to choose between any of the companies, it is surprising they did not all compete for the Efficiency Prize, instead of leaving it to three. The general salute was particularly well executed, all the hands coming smartly away in regular [illegible] formed quarter-column upon No. 1 Company, wheeled by companies in "fours," and marched past, first at the "shoulder," then at the "trail" and last of all at the "double." In all these movements the K Company was decided the smartest, although it was noticed that they rather fell behind the mark in the manual firing and exercise in the morning competition. When formed into line again, it was noticed that only two places were necessary to close the line. The "charge bayonet" was good, there being none of the mistakes in the rear rank, which Volunteers so frequently make. One of the chief features of the parade was the splendid way in which the corps went through the bayonet exercise. The head-parry was without a fault, and in "shortening arms," the rifles all came back together as from one man. Then the battalion changed front, retired in fours, and rear formed company; every company, when formed up, took its proper interval—a most difficult accomplishment. Several other manœuvres were gone through, and all of them were executed with a smartness which reflects the utmost credit, both upon the officers and men. At the close of the inspection parade, the men formed up upon three sides of a square, while Col. Collingwood distributed some prizes which had been won at the rifle range. The Challenge Cup was won by members of B Company, namely Capt. Nicholson, Colour-Sergt Gidney, Corpls. Freeman, Wobourne, Wolfe, and Morris, Sergs. Osborne, Corpls. Hayter, Sadler, and Wilmer, and Volunteer Valentine. The two best shots in the corps are Messrs. Valentine and Osborne. The inspecting Officer in the course of some remarks, in which he congratulated the corps upon its high state of efficiency, said that he noticed a great improvement in the carriage of the men. They kept their heads erect and marched with a more military air than upon some former occasion. The battalion was marched back to the camping-grounds, and before dismissing the men Colonel Jackson spoke in the highest terms of the day's work, saying that the corps had never to his knowledge done better.

The camp itself was a pattern of order and good arrangement, and the men have all been most comfortable. The officers occupied some empty bungalows intended for railway officials, and the mess-tent was pitched at the corner of the parade-ground furthest from the railway works, while that of the non-commissioned officers and men was rigged up in one of the spacious locomotive sheds. The canteen was there also, and in an adjoining building was the ball-room, the floor of which had been cleverly devised out of railway sleepers, upon which canvas had been stretched. In mentioning the canteen, the temperance tent started by Mr. Lewis Butcher, the Resident Engineer, must not be forgotten. It proved to be a most useful institution, and one could get a cup of splendid coffee and a liberal allowance of cake there for the sum of two annas. Soon after 7 o'clock visitors began to collect in the reception tent connected with the officers' mess, and by the time dinner was announced there was a goodly gathering of something like fifty, including officers and guests. The table was most tastefully decorated, one or two fine pieces of regimental plate showing up well against the wealth exotics. Mention of the Rev. Mr. Corfield's name must not be forgotten here, for the success of the dinner and the pretty arrangement of the table were in a great measure due to his capability to combine the office of caterer with that of honorary chaplain.

The following were amongst those present:—Inspecting Officer, Colonel Collingwood; Staff Captains Steele and Tufnell; Lieut-Col. the Hon. L. H. Byley; the Hon. J. Jardine; Sir Thos. Thompson; M. Baker, Sessions Judge, Nassick; Mr. Hume Henderson, District Supt. of Police; Mr. A. M. T. Jackson, Assistant Collector; Major Roughton, B.V.A.; Major Brown, B.V.R.; Capt. Leatham, Adt.; Capt. Ferrers Nicholson, B.V.R.; Capt. Cheshvard and Officers from Deolali; Capt. Douglas; Capt. Harrison, Adjt. B. B. & C. I. V. L. Officers of the G. I. P. V. R.—Lieut.-Col. Jackson, C.I.E.; Majors Swan and Riddell; Rev. T. Corfield, B.A., Hony. Chaplain; Captain Rossetter, Adjt.; Middleton, Newbon, Trevithick, King Nicholson, Garrett, Campion, Gore-Brown, Hawkins, and Sarjent; Lieuts. Abbott, Bartley, Burne Barnard, Bowner, Thompson, Pillington and Rand. Visitors—Dr. Deane, and Messrs. Butché, Forbes, Bake, and Stanes.

After the toast of "The Queen" there was a general move in the direction of the ball-room. Dancin was supposed to commence at 9 p.m., but the room did not thoroughly fill until after 10 o'clock, when dancing commenced in real earnest. The caves floor, which had been carefully prepared with french-chalk, was perhaps not perfect, but was certainly a most ingenious idea and answered very well. The room made a pretty picture, here being upwards of three hundred persons present, and their bright dresses, contrasting with to tasteful decorations, for which praise is due to Messrs. Richardson, Molony, Spooner and the two Messrs. Osborne, who must have taken great pains to make a locomotive shed look so like a ball-room, and the tired guests who crept back to Bombay in the dawn of yesterday morning felt that this has been one of the most successful and enjoyable treats to their camp that the G. I. P. V. R. has ever had.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR AT BARODA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BARODA, JAN. 2.

YESTERDAY his Excellency the Governor and Lady Reay spent rather a quiet day. At 7 a.m., their Excellencies, accompanied by Colonel the Hon. N. G. Lyttleton, Military Secretary; Mr. W. Edgerly, C. S., Private Secretary, Surgeon-Major Irving, I.M.S.; and Captains Forbes and Brookes, A.D.C.; left for Dabhoi by a special train from the Vishwamitri station. The engine of the special was decorated with flags. The party reached Dabhoi at 8-30, and after spending some time inspecting the ruins and antiquities of that place, they returned to Baroda, which was reached at 12-30 p.m.

Last evening his Highness the Gaekwar gave a banquet at the Moti Baugh which was largely attended by all the British Officers, Civilians, and ladies of the station. Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Reay and staff were present, as also General Sir Harry Prendergast. The usual toasts were pledged with much enthusiasm. After dinner the guests of the evening, according to a long established custom, were treated to a remarkably fine display of fireworks which said much for the skill of the local pyrotechnists by whom they were manufactured. The exhibition took place after 11 o'clock in the spacious Maidan in the limits of the Moti Baugh, but the effect of the display was somewhat marred by a bright moon which shone overhead from a cloudless sky. The limits of the Moti Baugh were alive with thousands of people who had turned out to witness the *tamasha*. His Highness the Maharaja was present, and did not leave till all his guests had departed. The State military band under the direction of Mr. C. A. Fonseca was in attendance, and discoursed a choice selection of music.

His Excellency Lord Reay opened this day by attending a reviewing of Gaekwar's Troops on the general parade-ground. From an early hour all Baroda was astir. As the first faint streaks of the rising sun appeared on the horizon, the sleepers were awakened by the shrill notes of the bugle and the trumpet, calling the soldiery to arms. Although eight o'clock was the hour fixed for the review, the roads were crowded two hours earlier by people in carriage, on horseback, and on foot, wending their way to the parade-ground, while all around could be heard the music of the bands leading their regiments to the muster ground. Shortly after eight o'clock all the regiments which were to take part in the parade, were on the ground, and his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and Anandrao Gaekwar, and General Hardie, were found galloping along the lines to see that all were ready. The troops, numbering close on two thousand five hundred, made a grand display. They were drawn up in line facing the saluting point, when at quarter-past eight their Excellencies Lord and Lady Reay, accompanied by Captain Forbes and Mr. Rao Bahadur G. Bhatavadekar, Nawab Mir Ibrahimali, Dewan Bahadur Mambhai Jashbai, and a large number of the Sirdars and Darakdars. The police arrangements, I am sorry to say, were not very satisfactory. A few of the Havildars and Foujdars were rather uncivil, and had to be spoken to rather sharply. The sepoys guarding the ground instead of quietly keeping off the surging crowds on the public thoroughfare, sometimes exceeded their powers.

At 2-30 o'clock his Excellency Lord Reay and staff proceeded to Ajua, a village thirteen miles out of Baroda, to see the water-works in progress, and returned this evening.

ARRIVAL OF H. E. THE GOVERNOR IN BOMBAY.

HIS EXCELLENCY LORD REAY, accompanied by Lady Reay, Mr. E. W. Edgerley, C.S., Private Secretary; Colonel the Hon. N. G. Lyttelton, Military Secretary; Surgeon-Major L. A. Irving; Captain A. W. Forbes, A.-D.-C.; and Rissaldar Major Roopsing, Native A.-D.-C., arrived at the Church Gate Station by the Ahmedabad mail train at 7-30 a.m. yesterday morning, (Bombay time) from his tour in the Kathiawar and Gaekwar's districts. The attendance of heads of departments and the guard-of-honour was dispensed with. Major W. S. S. Bissel, Agent to the B. B. and C. I. and R. M. Railways; Major C. E. Sawyer, District Staff Officer; Major R. A. Daniel, Commandant of H. E. the Governor's Body Guard; Mr. J. Monteath, Secretary to Government, Political Department, Mr. Y. M. Kelkar; Oriental Translator to Government, Mr. M. W. Barve, C.I.E.; and some few other military officers, were present at the station platform. His Excellency on alighting shook hands with each one of the gentlemen present, wishing them a Happy New Year, and after a short conversation entered his carriage that was in waiting and accompanied by Lady Reay drove off to the Secretariat, escorted by a detachment, of his body-guard. A salute of seventeen guns was fired from the Saluting Battery, announcing the arrival of his Excellency.

THE Sultan's firman proclaiming the Cretan amnesty is a very elaborate document, containing eleven paragraphs, of which the following is the substance:—The term of office of the Governor-General is no longer to be limited. The number of deputies in the Assembly is reduced to fifty-seven, namely, thirty-five Christians and twenty-two Mussulmans. They will be chosen by electors of whom each Commune will depute five, and who will assemble in the chief town of the canton. The Gendarmerie, which has hitherto been composed of native Cretans, will in the future be recruited from among the inhabitants of other provinces of the Ottoman Empire, natives, however, not being excluded. The revenue derived from the tithes will be distributed among the inhabitants of the villages on the average of the tithe receipts for six years, three productive and three unproductive. The amnesty, as previously telegraphed, is not to apply to Cretans who have hitherto been condemned, the leaders of the late movement, and persons accused of crimes against the common law.

BOMBAY IN THE GREAT WAR—1801.

THE *Bombay Courier* opens the year 1801 and the nineteenth century with an editorial statement announcing that "a considerable addition to the proprietary interest of the *Courier*, calculated for improving its resources of general information, has lately taken place; and that this accession includes the original editor and founder of this publication." But the hopes excited by this promising announcement are not realised. The volume for 1801 is on the whole very deficient in interesting matter, so much so that it is advisable to supplement its deficiencies by referring to the *Madras Courier* for the same year.

At the end of the previous year it appears that the Bombay Association had been unnecessarily energetic in performing their duties. Whereas in most modern Volunteer Corps, always excepting of course the Bombay Volunteer Rifles of today, it is necessary to urge on all the necessity of learning drill, in old Bombay the contrary was the case. We find an Association order, of Jan. 2, 1801, in which the Governor, after complimenting the members of the Association on their energy and visible improvement, tells them that it is unnecessary for them to put in such a frequent appearance at parade "until further orders," therefore the Association Corps, though always considered ready to be called forth on emergency, "is only to parade once a fortnight, with the exception of the Armenians and such as are still in a state to require constant instruction, who will continue to assemble on the usual days three times a week." According to the last census, there were only thirty-five Armenians in the Bombay Presidency. They must have been more numerous in the beginning of the century or it would hardly have been worth while to braad them thus for not showing sufficient alacrity in learning their lessons in soldiership. Of the continued existence of the Bombay Fencibles we are reminded by the entertainments, given on July 9 and August 12. At the latter the officers gave a sumptuous dinner to their Colonel, Mr. Carnac, at the theatre, where "Lieutenant Colonel Page and Major Henshaw, properly supported, did the honors of the day in a corresponding style of elegance and urbanity, and the assembly continued to testify their satisfaction on the occasion in the full but rational enjoyment of the social bumper until a late or rather early hour on Thursday morning." At the former "Harry Forrester Constable, Esq., Captain in the Bombay Fencibles, entertained the officers of that respectable corps with a dinner at his house at Chintz Poogley." It must have been one of the last entertainments that he gave, for he died on September 20, and on the 28th his bay Arab horse was sold by public outcry under the Tamarind Tree, opposite the offices of Messrs. Smith, Forbes and Co. He was about 43 years old when he died, and had spent 28 years in Bombay. In accordance with the taste of the time, the *Courier* adds thirty lines of eulogium to the notice of his death. The Fencible Corps was inspected on October 23, and the men and officers were complimented in a Presidency Order on their forward state of discipline, martial appearance, and steady order under arms. In fact the only defect with which the Bombay gentlemen who volunteered their services in the end of the eighteenth and the beginning of the nineteenth century could be charged with, was *trop de zele*. Indeed this was a time of enthusiastic loyalty, as was conspicuously shown on June 4, 1801, the 64th anniversary of George III.'s birthday, when the old Union flag which had been hoisted over the Castle at sunrise was hauled down and replaced by the Union Jack in its present form with the combined crosses of St. George, St. Andrew, and St. Patrick to mark the lately accomplished Union of Great Britain and Ireland. "No true Briton," remarks the admiring *Courier*, "can suppress his admiration at those princely qual

INDIAN TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday evening a meeting of the members of the Indian Temperance Association was held at the Masonic School, Mr. Jeevanlal Umiashanker Yajnik, presiding.

The president, in introducing Mr. Kearsey to the meeting, said he was a lecturer of the Army Temperance Society, and would address them on "District Work and Districts Wanted."

Mr. Kearsey, in addressing the meeting said that he would first limit himself to the district of Bombay; he should describe to them the work and wants of all districts. India was a large field, and during the past two years he had had to visit every station in India. He had chiefly been employed to lecture among Europeans, but on one or two occasions he had been called upon to address native audiences, and among these he had had some very attentive listeners. He was glad to say that the last large meeting he had addressed was composed of educated natives of Madras, and at the close of the address four hundred came forward and signed the Temperance pledge. (Cheers.) Last week Mr. Sassoon had pointed out that there were Insurance Societies at home, which divided those who drink intoxicating drinks from those who do not. In the first instance they would not assure the life of a man who drank heavily, so they would only have to deal with two classes—those who drank moderately, and those who did not drink at all—and they were told that the men who drank moderately had a chance of dying twenty years earlier than the total abstainers. If this was so, it was therefore very certain that no one should drink anything. Some people thought that if they drank they did not injure anyone—they injured everyone who were dependent upon them, and all who came in contact with them. Everyone exercised some influence for good or bad over some one else, and a man taking just one glass of liquor might induce some one else to do the same, which might be the first step leading to a drunkard's grave. He was sorry to say that in his own country in 1888 a terrible black river composed of beer, wines, and spirits had gone down the throats of his countrymen. If it had all been put together it would have formed a stream fifteen feet deep, twenty feet broad, and ten miles long. Here in India this stream was just springing up. He had been watching carefully and noticed that Europeans did not drink as much as they used to do, yet the quantity of liquor imported was growing greater every year; it was clear it must be that the natives were drinking more European liquors than they used to do. He would much rather have the natives remain ignorant than be educated and depraved by the demon of strong drink. Each man and woman was a unit that went to make up a nation, and if each one resolved to abstain from drink they would add materially to the prosperity of the nation; for sober men and sober women mean prosperous men and prosperous women. Here in Bombay the mill-hands earned more now than they ever did; but as they spent more money in drink than they did before the increase it would be meant an increase in misery too. In this district and in Guzerat some very good Temperance work had been done. Some of the Native Rulers had taken up the Temperance question; and one Raja was not only a total abstainer himself, but had several members of his court in the same boat, and it was confidently expected that he would soon have all his army total abstainers. (Cheers.) Here in Bombay they wanted more earnest workers and they also wanted Rs. 50,000 to erect a monument of temperance in the city, which all those who visited the city might go to without being compelled to go to hotels. In the Fort they had a grogshop or hotel for every fifty yards, and it should be their endeavour to lessen the number of these places. The lecturer then read some statistics, the number of deaths of total abstainers and non-abstainers in an American city, and the proportion was 71 to 105.

The Rev. Mr. Evans, who was received with cheers, next addressed the assembly. He said that his first duty that evening was to convey to them the kind compliments of Mr. Caine—applause—who intended visiting India next November. He was to speak that evening on the Government policy of excise. At the outset that when he spoke on this subject, and reflected on the policy of Government he did so with deep regret, for the Government with all its faults and all its failings was a good one. (Cheers.) When he thought it necessary to reflect upon Government he he did it because he loved that Government. There were circumstances that they should not forget when they criticized the policy of Government. One matter they should think of was that Government was in great need of money to carry on the administration of the country. Government was in debt, which was a very bad state to be in, and it was in debt to the extent of £165,000,000, and had to pay about 2,000,000 as interest every year. And then there were resources which began to fail. Some few years ago the opium trade was very prosperous—it went up as far as £7,000,000 a year—and now it was on the downward grade. He was told by the best authority on the subject that while last year they had sold 35,000 chests of opium in China, this year only 17,000 chests had been sold. Government felt that it needed a revenue, and this excise revenue they found very convenient, especially as it had been increasing so rapidly. A steady revenue of this sort was a great temptation, especially as it was so cheap in collection, the charges of [illegible] per cent., but this excise revenue only cost 11 per cent. This excise revenue was a legacy which had been handed down to her Majesty the Queen by the late Hon. East India Company, and it had increased wonderfully since it had come into her possession. The income of the Hon. E. I. Co. had been about fifty lakhs of rupees, and the income of her Majesty's Government was four hundred and fifty lakhs. They objected to the policy of Government. They did not think that it was wise, they did not think it was sound, and they did not think in the end that it would pay. It was paying now but there would be a rebound by-and-bye—it was drawing cheques on the future! If so long as the rupees rolled into the Treasury the people were made drunkards in millions, Government by-and-bye would lose more than it gained, and therefore they said it was not a wise policy, and they also maintained that a revenue derived from the vices of a people was not worthy of a Christian Government. (Cheers.) Such administration was not only foolish but it was wicked—that which was morally wrong could not be politically right. They found fault with the Abkari policy of Government, because it was a fiscal policy Government would not admit it; but it was a fact that they administered it with reference to finance only. The excise of India was not administered from a moral stand-point, but from a financial stand-point and they objected to that. They did not want Government to carry on the expenses of the country with the excise revenue, and they said more than that. They said that if the Government took four crores of rupees from them for excise Government should give it back to them in education. As long as Government administrated its Abkari policy from this financial consideration he (the speaker) did not think there would be any reform. Many years ago there were Thugs in India, and Colonel Sleeman was sent by the British Government to put these people down, and succeeded in doing so. If our Governments had gone hand in hand in the matter of Thugs, would they have been put down so easily? No. On the Continent there were brigands who took charge of rich travellers who came in their way and refused to give them up until they were ransomed. Why did not the Government put these people down? Because Government officials shared in the booty. In Jubbulpur Tantia Bheel had been asked how it was that the police had not been able to catch him, and he had said: "You pay your men Rs. 7 a month; but I was paying them Rs. 14. And so while our Government went on administrating its Abkari policy from a financial point of view it would be impossible to have any real reform in it. The present policy of the Abkari was expensive. It went on increasing year by year, yet Government while admitting this said that the people had not been drinking more! That was wonderful logic. In Madras the revenue had risen from 16 lakhs of rupees in 1840 to 97 lakhs in 1888. In Bombay the average in 1882 was 38 lakhs, and in 1887 it was 70 lakhs. In Bengal for many years the average used to be 60 lakhs, but in 1887 it was 108 lakhs. In the North-West Provinces the revenue in 1866 was 15 lakhs and a half, and in 1887 it was 40 lakhs, and last year it was 52 lakhs. In the Punjab it was 8 lakhs eight years ago, and now it was 15 lakhs. It was in this expansion that there was the temptation and the danger. The higher the excise revenue went the harder it would be for Government to give it up. Therefore they said that the policy should be repressive and not expansive. There was an official in charge of the excise in each district; he might be the Collector on the Deputy Magistrate. This official felt it his duty to increase the revenue. (Laughter.) If it went down he would be called to account. He remembered many years ago sleeping in a Government Order that the man who did not increase the revenue a certain sum, and his promotion would be stopped. So that these officials would do this on the same principle that vakils would take up rotten cases because they were paid for it. The lecturer went on to say that he had on several occasions tried to obtain information from Government officials, but had been refused, which showed that Government were conscious of having a rotten case. One thing he had been sorry to notice and that was the large number of liquor shops kept by Parsees. He thought that was a poor return for what India had done for them. They had come here poor fugitives, and now were one of the most prosperous class in the country. Until lately he never saw any grogshops at fairs, but now he always saw these go together. What they wanted the Government to do was to be constructive and not destructive; not to administrate their excise from a financial but from a moral point of view and to raise the duty on drink. The duty was very unequal, and when the speaker asked an Excise Commissioner the reason of it he had been told that they had to accommodate themselves to the condition of the people! The imported spirits which were poison, should be specially taxed. Another thing was that all grogshops should be closed on the Sabbath, and they also wanted local option. Hindoos, Mahomedans, and Parsees were all forbidden to drink, and he thought they ought to apply to Government to remove the nuisances (grogshops) from the vicinity of their houses. In conclusion the speaker said that while blaming Government they should not be like themselves. If they wanted Government to attend to their requests they should be total abstainers.

MR. JAMES ROWLANDS, M.P., told a Holloway meeting that many of the critics of the London Liberal members made any wise suggestion in reference to their bills, it would be carefully considered. The London members did not claim for their bills "perfection," but they did claim that they were the first systematised endeavour to deal with some of the greatest problems that confronted all who cared for the well being of the Metropolis.

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THE PROPOSED RAILWAY BETWEEN CALCUTTA AND MOGHALSARAI.

MR. W. B. WISHART, Secretary to Upper India Chamber of Commerce, has written, as instructed by the Chamber, to the Chief Secretary to the Government, N.-W. Provinces and Oudh, Allahabad, recommending the Bengal and North-Western Railway route:—

In connection with the various projects for a new railway between Moghalsarai and Calcuttta the latter states my committee understand that the Government of Bengal have, in a minute addressed to the Imperial Government, strongly recommended the "Western Bengal" route. Should this be the case, the representations made will necessarily constitute a most important factor in favour of the scheme proposed by the promoters of that line. From a purely local or provincial point of view, there is doubtless much in the "Western Bengal" alignment to recommend it to the Bengal Government, as it would open out certain important but neglected districts (as regards road) in that Presidency, which have hitherto suffered much from the want of effective means of communication with the surrounding country, as also with the seaboard, particularly during the rainy season. After a careful study of the three schemes before the public, the committee of this Chamber are decidedly of opinion that the "Western Bengal" route could not in any to that serve the interests of the North-West Provinces, Oudh and the Punjab, as efficiently as a more direct line to Calcutta, and one that would pass through the heart of the Chota Nagpur coal-fields. I am directed to say that apparently the wants of Bengal could be fully met by allowing the East Indian Railway Company to construct and work, as a State undertaking, the portion of the "Western Bengal" line from Baidyanath-Deogarh to Hooghly *via* Soory and Ahmadpur. In this way not only would these districts be opened out, but the East Indian Railway Company would find therein compensation for the through traffic which they might, at the outset, lose by the construction of the Moghalsarai-Purulia line. If a railway can be considered to have a moral claim to any particular stretch of country, the East Indian Railway Company may certainly hold that they are entitled to the whole of the territory through which the alignment of the proposed "Western Bengal" Railway takes its course. The latter is at no part further than 50 miles from their road, and throughout the greater portion of its length would not be more than 30 miles distant, besides coming in contact with their rails at no less than five points, in addition to bisecting the country between the "Chord" and "Loop" lines. The Grand Chord, the Bengal and North-Western and the Western Bengal lines would all tap Gya: thus were the suggestions contained in the foregoing paragraph acted upon, it would only entail the abandonment of the portion of the last-named route between Gya and Deogurh, and this section would unavoidably be costly and difficult, crossing numerous rivers and streams (5), in addition to passing along the range of hills known as the Doomrah Ghats, and running its entire length through a sparsely populated region, with small likelihood of remunerative local traffic except in the conveyance of pilgrims from Gya. The existing East Indian Railway meets the wants of this class of passengers coming from the north west, Bengal, and the proposed Moghalsarai-Purulia line would serve those from the south-west of the Province. Were the Bengal and North-Western Railway Company's alignment adopted, that route would afford a direct connection with the chief coal-fields of Chota Nagpur in addition to throwing open the populous country between Purulia and Howrah, as also the most important district of Midnapore,—facts that are generally considered to be much in need of greater facilities in the way of communication. Thus the wishes of the Bengal Government would be complied with and the interests of that Presidency served without interfering with those of the North-Western Provinces, Oudh and the Punjab. My committee have no desire to advocate the claims of one set of railway promoters as against another; but they have assured themselves that the Bengal and North-Western project is the one best calculated to meet the needs of the community they represent; and they therefore beg to strongly recommend it to the attention of the Government of the North-West Provinces and Oudh. The chief advantages which this scheme (the B. and N.-W. Railway) appears to possess are:—(a) it offers a more direct and remunerative route between Calcutta and Upper India, the curtailment in distance being 77 miles to the Punjab *via* the Oudh and Rohilkhund Railway and Saharanpur as compared with the existing East Indian Railway line, and 52 miles between Howrah and Moghalsarai. The last-mentioned saving in mileage meaning, for example, "on the basis of existing tariff rates," a reduction in the cost of carriage of wheat from seaboard equal to nearly 8½ per quarter delivered in London; and in the other case, and abatement of about Rs. 13 per cent maunds on coal used by manufacturers in the North-West Provinces and by the up-country railway systems. (b). The Bengal and North-Western Railway Company's line would not cause a loss to the State by diverting local traffic from the East Indian Railway. (c). The "Western Bengal" route running its entire length within 50 miles of the East Indian Railway, it follows that local floods or disturbances would affect both in common, and therefore [illegible] relied upon as an alternative line were the other blocked. (d). Finally, this line would [illegible] Railway at five points, and throw the whole volume of its traffic on the latter at Hooghly; whereas the Bengal and North-Western Railway Company provide for a separate terminus at Howrah. (e). The promoters of the "Western Bengal" do not clearly state whether they look for a State guarantee or not; but the Bengal and North-Western Railway Company are willing to construct their line without one. (f). The extension proposed by the "Western Bengal" from Gya to Daltonganj could not materially reduce the cost of coal to up-country consumers. It would be a branch over 80 miles in length, opening out only one coal-field, ending in a dead siding, with traffic necessarily in but one direction and wagons running empty in the other. The distance from Daltonganj to Moghalsarai *via* Gya would be about 206 miles as against 170 miles from Palamow on the main line of the Bengal and North-Western Railway. (g). The Bengal and North-Western scheme provides alternative means of access to Calcutta for the Bengal-Nagpur Railway, which would affect a saving of 33 miles in the through route of the latter system. The foregoing facts, my committee consider, show that from all points of view the Bengal and North-Western Railway route is the one which should be adopted in the interests of Upper India generally; and they therefore trust that Government may see their way to sanction this undertaking.

VEGETARIANISM.

Public Health contains an important recital of experiments made by Dr. J. Rutgers. The question Dr. Rutgers essayed to solve was whether equal weights of vegetable and animal albumen were mutually replaceable as foods. The experiments extended for a period of ten weeks, the subjects being himself and wife; the former, for tabular conciseness, is designated P. the latter M.

"The method of experiment was to select a mixed diet of meat and vegetables of known composition, and having obtained nitrogenous equilibrium, to replace it by a wholly vegetable diet. Both subjects carefully weighed daily; the weights were also taken of each of the food constituents and of the excreta. The first, or mixed, experimental diet of P. and M. consisted of meat, milk, butter, white bread, biscuits, potatoes, rice, sugar, oranges, with a little tea, red wine, and tokay. After five weeks of this living a vegetable diet equivalent in albumen to the foregoing was after much difficulty settled upon. The ingredients were as follows:—Peas and green peas, small white beans (phaseolus vulgaris) butter, Liebig's Extract of Meat, white bread, biscuits, potatoes, oranges, a little tea, tokay, and red wine.

RESULTS.

"The results of the whole experiment may be summed up in a few words. Vegetable albumen weight for weight is equivalent to animal albumen, the nitrogenous balance between income and output being equal with either, and health maintained. *There was son discomfort experienced from flatulence and constipation* from the ingestion of peas and beans which leads Dr. Rutgers to condemn an exclusively vegetable diet. It is to be noted that the acidity of the stomach and renal secretion was found to be less on the vegetable than on mixed diet."

All this is instructive and very interesting. But one may do well to remember that there are principles in meat that render it most valuable in disease, and quite apart from its albumen. On the other hand, there are in the cereals bland properties which make the grains of times preferable. In low fevers, when the vital powers wane, a little chicken or beef-tea (peptonized with Zymin to dissolve the nutriment of the meat), fed in small quantities, frequently repeated has saved not a few lives. And in convalescence the mits are most beneficial. In consumption, dyspepsii, infant-feeding, they are most nutritious; but of course, in a good malt extract, such as the Kepler Extract of Malt, the grains are robbed of any indesir able action in digestion, and become great aids thereto as well as forming a demulcent and pleasant food.

SEVERAL members of the Austrian Reichsrath, which adjourned for the occasion as a tribute to the worth of the poet, attended the funeral of the poet and dramatist, Ludwig Anzengruber. While the *cortège* was on its way to the cemetery, the Emperor, whose carriage happened to pass, stopped and saluted the coffin. Such a crowd of mourners as followed the remains of the poet has, it is said, been rarely seen in Vienna.

IF there be a country which for the present Prince Bismarck hates more than another, it is Switzerland. It will be remembered how the Confederation boarded him a few months ago by expelling a German police spy; it has now given much graver offence by deciding to expropriate all the Swiss railway, on the ground that the shares are mostly in German hands, which might be dangerous to Switzerland in the event of a great war.

IT may be hoped that the recent court-martial on a sub-lieutenant for permitting irregularities in money matters to occur in the gunroom mess of the Volage, of which he was *ex-officio* president, will draw the attention of the authorities to the reprehensible way in which the messes, particularly in harbour ships, too often afford facilities to young officers to spend more than they can afford. The lending of money by these messi which is a constant practice, ought to be eternally prohibited. A messman ought not to be a private servant of the officers, but a man with a definite rating and pay as one of the ship's company.

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THE RUBINSTEIN JUBILEE.

This week—that is the week ending December 6, says a *Pall Mall Gazette* representative who interviewed the famous composer—is celebrated, in St. Petersburg, the jubilee of Anton Rubinstein, a pianist without a rival, and a virtuoso whose reign is absolute; yet as well a composer, and one too who has left no field in art unexplored.

"Is Anton Gregoriewitsch at home?" I asked. How strange the question seemed as we put it to Rubinstein's servant Matve and, received his answer in the affirmative.

The first question he put, "Well, what news?" was characteristic of the man—always by means of the veriest trifles of life seeking information.

Rubinstein again seated himself at his writing table, and we a little to the left of it. Before the composer was a piled-up heap of manuscript music he had been working at, and by the right side of it a quantity of pens, pencils, and erasing knives of all sizes, makes and dimensions; for Rubinstein, in composing, as he told us later, is constantly erasing and pruning his idea as it were.

The massive writing-table was placed between the two windows, and after we had studied the composer we took to studying its contents, which were a vast pile of visiting cards, taking up the left corner completely; some magazines and books, one a handsome history of music in Russian, another a history of the Jews, and on the top of all a very bad French novel in a yellow paper binding. The handsome lamp, with its large protecting green shade—necessary, inasmuch as the composer's eyes are not strong—stood in the centre, along with tobacco jar and cigarette boxes; and then above, on the wall between the two windows, hung a charming picture of Rubinstein as a young man seated at the pianoforte, whilst around him were the various great personages who had been listening to him the day or afternoon the photograph had been taken in the drawing-room of the Grand Duchess Helene.

At once Rubinstein plunged into questions concerning English and German music. "What was being done? Who was doing anything?" And after we had satisfied him to the best of our ability, we ventured to inquire when he would be coming again to us.

"Oh, never, never, never," was his reply. "I am done with all that. It is a bad time for art; and as regards music, we are in a melancholy state, for it is with us now just as it was in the eighteenth century with painting an absolute standstill."

"But how?" we asked astonished.

"Why, because there are no geniuses, absolutely none; if we have a new composition, what is it? Either popular airs arranged as symphonies, or anything you wish; or a dry-as-dust musical exercise in counterpoint without melody, passion, or beauty; all, of course, if you argue over it, correct, but weariness enough to make one bite one's tongue away with impatience."

"And the reason of it; do you know what it is?" he asked comically, as he laughed and threw back his hair.

"No, what is it?" we asked, laughing also.

"The women, the women," he answered; "they are neither perpetual slaves or ingenious, but learned questioning, reasoning, in fact to-day we have no Ophelias, no Juliets, no Gretchens, for every girl is a "counterpoint" and every married woman a *fugue*."

"In other words, you mean," we said, a little bewildered, "this is a practical age, and music doesn't flourish in it."

"Yes, yes, exactly."

At that moment Matve appeared to inform us dinner was served.

"Come, let us go. I am hungry," said Rubenstein, rising with alacrity.

Instead of sitting down at once to the dinner table, we went, according to Russian custom, to a side one where caviare and various sorts of small fishes, bread-and-butter and vodka, a kind of whiskey, were laid.

Rubinstein poured some of the latter out for us at once, and on our declining he opened his eyes wide in astonishment.

"What, you don't take whiskey? Why, I thought every English person did that. What is this you call it, punch?"

"Yes, but that is after dinner, and only sometimes."

"Oh, you English are a queer people," he said, as he sat down. "I am sure you take it, only you won't say so; every English person does, I know."

"Still, there are exceptions to every rule."

"Perhaps, but not one to this, it is the exception of this exception," and as he finished this sly hit at our countrymen he went off into a hearty fit of laughter.

You know (he continued) you English really are a queer people, so stupid, so absurd, so much etiquette, and nonsense. I remember in my hotel, I believe in Birmingham, the last time I was in England, when I gave my historical concerts. I came down at half-past seven in the morning to the coffee room, an immense room, as big as a church, and with all the windows open, and, mind, all the windows shut, sat down and ordered some tea, and while I was waiting took out my cigarettes and commenced to smoke never thinking. Presently up came a waiter. "Can't smoke here, sir," said he at my elbow. "Can't hat?" said I. "Can't smoke here, sir."

I began to get angry. "But why not?" "It is against the rules, sir." "Rules, stupid rules!" I answered, and continued quietly smoking. After looking at me with a most amusing contempt for some minutes he left me, and went down to a group of other waiters. Presently came another to my elbow. "Can't smoke here, sir;" but as the waiter saw him the waiter went away. Then, as a last resource I suppose they sent a very pretty barmaid. "Beg pardon, sir, smoking ain't allowed here." I was so amused by all this work over my simple little cigarette that I laughed. "But why not?"

"Well, you see, sir, the ladies, sir, they object."

"But the ladies, where are they?" and all the windows open, and the room, even so sir, smoking ain't allowed here in the coffee-room."

"Then tell me where it is allowed?" I asked in desperation.

"Certainly, sir. In the billiard-room, sir. Come this way, please." Well, when I got there I sat down. "And now you send me my tea here," I asked. "On yes, sir; certainly sir; presently." I waited on and waited, and at length I came home with the tea but nothing to eat. "But you have brought no bread," I said in astonishment. "No, sir, *you can't have bread in the billiard-room*."

Still, the English people welcome you very heartily."

Rubinstein laughed.

"Yes, you know, it is quite funny. I can take more money than any other artist of my style there, although I don't belong to even one of their cliques or musical sets, and that is something extraordinary, for outside these cliques music has no existence in London. Everything in London is so commercial, but music is in a bad state everywhere, everywhere. To-day there is nothing. Noise and sensation and effect if you will, but of music, legitimate music, absolutely nothing." Coffee having been brought in, Rubinstein produced his cigarettes, and on our asking if he smoked much, he replied, "a great deal," for that he smoked at least thirty cigarettes a day, inasmuch as he always got through a box containing a thousand in less than a month, and also that he never composed without smoking, adding that it was one of the special resources of his physicians to England for that one had to go the entire evening without smoking, if one chanced to be in the company of ladies, and the company of men he didn't enjoy.

Rubinstein insisted on our accompanying him to the Conservatory and returning at nine to tea and a game of whist. As his house is only a few minutes' walk from the Conservatory we expostulated with him on taking a drive, but he laughed at the suggestion to himself, and remarked that he never walks by any chance. Even at Peterhof, and although he has a most beautiful park and gardens, yet he never enters them, his dislike to walking being so great."

The two ladies—old ladies—Rubinstein, it is amusing to relate, is invariably surrounded by very mature specimens of the fair sex, whether from preference or through misfortune we have never had the courage to inquire—having already arrived, and the hour being nine, Matve, first having arranged the the card tables, brought in some excellent tea—Rubinstein's cook is a treasure—and after we had drunk it and eaten some Russian cakes, we sat down to cards.

Despite the intense interest Rubinstein evinced in the game throughout he lost, but laughingly paid his debts. As he was in a particularly good humour one of the ladies asked him to play. Fully expecting a refusal we were astonished to see him go up to the pianoforte, and opening it sit down.

It was only in that moment we realized we were actually the guests of Rubinstein. His touch was beyond all description. We sat close by as he played, lost in admiration. It was a time to be a life-long remembrance. He first played as a sonata of Beethoven's, and then one of his own most lovely barcaroles. The room was but dimly lit, the candles on the card-table along being lighted, and the characteristic figure of Rubinstein was seen like a phantasmagoria against the white wall, and the outside in the street people and carriages were passing noisily, but we heard nothing of them; and after the sonata Matve, evidently lured by the sound of the pianoforte, crept to the doorway, where he stood only half concealed and listened.

Rubinstein stopped a moment, then a brilliant prelude and the impromptu valse of Liebe was begun. Rubinstein was lost in his own music. We had forgotten him. We were waltzing in air; we were mad, mad, quite mad with an ecstatic feeling of exultation that had suddenly come upon us. Some impossible being, some syren, petulant, indifferent, wild like a chamois, was with us; we were traversing space with lightning velocity; it was a kiss; the glance from a woman's lovely eyes; the touch of a woman's hand; the music stopped. "Where were we? in the wild whirl of a bacchante dance in a ball-room or dreaming?" We were in the salon of Rubinstein with the wizard of the pianoforte, the great artist, as simple and genial as he is natural, back to the prosaic necessity of getting into our walking clothes, saying our adieux, and going home.

THERE seems to be a reawakening of interest in Milton just now. A French author is writing an *etude* of the great Puritan poet; Dr. Richard Garnett has just published his excellent memoir of him in his "Great Writers" series; and now the Dean of Wells is engaged upon a biographical study of the author of "Paradise Lost."

WHAT is Prince Nicholas's intention? The ruler of Montenegro has just authorised the emigration of five thousand more of his subjects into Servia. The *Vaterland* reports that these whole-sale emigrations look much as though they were intended to sweate in Servia the nucleus for an army of insurgents.

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HOW TO CROSS THE ATLANTIC UNDER WATER IN TWENTY-SIX HOURS.

LEONIDE APOSTOLOFF, a young Cossack engineer, writes the *Pall Mall Gazette* interviewer, whose name is hardly known outside his own country, claims to have made a discovery and patented an invention destined to change the face of the maritime world. Wild as his claim may sound, for he asserts that his invention will enable us to cross the Atlantic in twenty-six hours, there is enough substance in his dream to have secured his three years' leave of absence by the Russian Government in order that he may prosecute his scientific researches. M. Apostoloff elected to study at Marseilles. There a representative called upon him. M. Apostoloff is tall and dark, his face bespeaks energy and great determination. He is eight-and-twenty.

"Is it true," asked our representative, "that you expect to perform the voyage from here to Algiers in four hours?"—"Certainly," replied M. Apostoloff. "My boat will travel 100 knots an hour, that is to say, five times quicker than the fastest steamer. I have applied to navigation the spiral principle, that is all."

"But what is the spiral principle?"—"It is somewhat difficult to put into words. You know that it takes you longer to hammer a nail into the wall than to screw it in. Again, in old days the ball from a gun went thus—straight at its object and hit perhaps at 100 yards. Now the ball is twisted out and goes immensely quicker and much further. I will give an illustration. Why does a man swim? Because he agitates his arms, and legs, you reply. Very good. But why does a serpent swim?" and M. Apostoloff smiled triumphantly. "You do not know? Perhaps you did not even know that he who tempted our first mother swam at all. Yet a serpent once in the water goes quicker along than the fastest fish. Then swim on the spiral principle, and get along at a prodigious rate in consequence. I apply this principle to my boat, that is all."

"What suggested this idea to you?"—"When I was quite a young fellow my regiment was ordered to Samara, where a bridge was being built over the river. The district is singularly bereft of stones, and as they were absolutely necessary in making the foundations of the bridge, the moujiks extracted them from the bed of the current itself! and how? By means of an ingenious invention of their own. A rope was coiled several times round a large, tree trunk. One end of the rope had been made fast—to the other dangled an iron claw named "koshika," which signifies little cat; then, at a touch from the hand the beam turned round in the water, the rope, unwinding itself with the rapidity of lightning, descended, and the claw clutched hold of anything it found in the bed of the river, and at a reverse touch the beam brought it up to the surface. Sometimes very large stones were brought up in this manner. This struck me greatly. How intelligent of these poor peasants to have discovered the spiral principle for themselves! Simply dropping the rope into the water would not have been good enough. If you doubt this try it for yourself with a pencil and bit of thread."

"Then I suppose you began trying experiments?"

"Just so, I tried many experiments, wishing also to discover some new motor to drive my boat along. But the great principle of the thing lay in the spiral idea."

"But how can you apply the pencil and thread plan to a boat?"—"Thus. My boat to look at is not unlike a long, rather pointed, egg in shape, an egg round which has been twice twisted a piece of string."

"It will revolve rapidly; in fact, the difference between the speed of my boat and the modern steamer will be—to quote myself again—the difference between a blunt nail driven into the wall and a nail screwed in. You are wondering where the passengers will go. Well, inside, for this egg shaped form is only an outside shell. Inside, fastened securely to the beam running through it, is an inner shell, cabin, &c., which remains absolutely steady as if on land. You will note that the rudder is both perpendicular and horizontal. This enables the steerer to direct the boat up or down under the water, a thing the usual torpedo boat cannot do. This roughly speaking, the torpedo boat—half in and half out of the water. My Bateau Plongeur will remain habitually under water."

"Of what material will your Plongeur be made?"—"Of the strongest steel, to enable it to resist the great pressure of the water above it. On the other hand, the boat will be very light, so light indeed that in case of any injury to the machinery, &c., there will be no danger, for it will of itself rise to the surface of the water."

"How will the inhabitants of your little craft breathe?"—"Every thirty-eight hours it must come up for a long, deep breath," answered M. Apostoloff, smiling. "Practically, the only danger we have to fear is the outer shell, or "corps tournant," getting smashed, either by running on to a rock or encountering a torpedo. Still, powerful electric lights will shine through the belt of thick glass running round the boat, and will illuminate the water depths above, below, and for a hundred yards all round us."

"And will the Plongeur always remain under water?"—"No, not necessarily so; but if it is half out of the water the speed of the "corps tournant" will be seven times greater